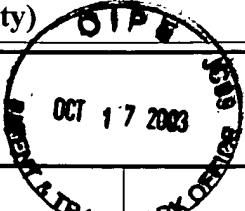


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Large Entity) 

Docket No.
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In Re Application Of: Sharron G. Penn, et al.



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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of August 15, 2003 above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

- One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: **September 15, 2003** until: **October 15, 2003**

The fee for the extension of time is \$110 and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 502-590

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 502-590

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